KENTUCKY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA NEWS

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR
KENTUCKY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS
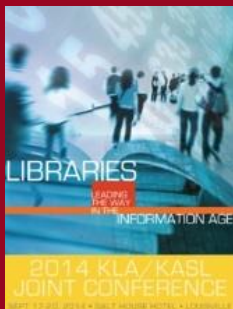
Upcoming Conferences

KASL Summer Refresher
July 15
Madison County High School
Click **here**
for information

KLA/KASL Joint Fall Conference
September 17-20
Louisville
Click **here**
for information.

KYREADS

The Kentucky Department of Education encourages reading year round to prepare students for college and career opportunities, as well as for a lifetime of reading for fun. One way to encourage students to read through the summer months is to promote Kentucky's Summer Reading Programs at local public libraries. The impact of summer learning loss is well documented, but school librarians can be a part of changing those statistics by providing opportunities for students in their schools to participate in free Summer Reading Programs. Contact the children's librarian at your local public library for details about the programs in your area and to obtain free materials to distribute to students before the school year ends.

Suggested Promotion Activities:
- Invite public library staff to visit an assembly at your school to promote Summer Reading Programs.
- Plan "launch parties" to celebrate the start of the summer reading season.
- Help students create summer reading lists by using Find a Book, KY.
- Assist students in completing the **Summer Reading Pledge** at Find a Book, KY. (Beginning May 1)

Summer Reading Activities to Use with Students:
- Reading Record Chart
- Bright Ideas for Summer

Summer Reading Resources to Share with Parents:
- Reading is Fundamental Summer Brochure
- ReadWriteThink Parent Handout
- Lexile Overview Video (six minutes)
- "Summer Reading" episode - KET's *One to One with Bill Goodman*

Download the "Find a Book" app for Android mobile phones here.

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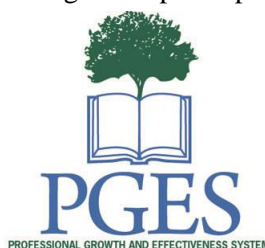**(502) 564-2106, ext. 4500**

OTHER PROFESSIONALS GROWTH AND EFFECTIVENESS SYSTEM (OPGES)

Becky Nelson, library media specialist at Hearn Elementary School in Franklin County, and Paul Lanata, director of Library Media Services for the Jefferson County school district, are members of the "Other Professionals" Growth and Effectiveness System (OPGES) advisory work group. The work of the advisory group includes looking carefully at the components of the classroom teacher PGES, in particular the effectiveness measures of student growth; professional growth and self-reflection; student voice; student growth goals; and peer observation and providing recommendations and guidance for schools and districts as they pilot PGES for "other professionals" in 2014-15.

OPGES Pilot
A pilot of the Other Professionals Growth and Effectiveness System (OPGES) will be implemented in the 2014-15 school year. Individuals who are tenured, not in their summative year and who have an Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) certification in one of the following roles are eligible to participate.

- Library media specialists/school librarians
- School guidance counselors/social workers
- Instructional specialists (school level)
- Therapeutic specialists (SPL, OT, PT)
- School psychologists
- School nurses

All districts will participate in the pilot with a minimum of one person from each of the identified role groups. Additional information and resources for the 2014-15 pilot will be available later in the spring.

The Kentucky Framework for library media specialists is based on an L4L resource provided by the American Association of School Librarians (AASL). Click here to see the AASL document. The KY Framework for library media specialists will be available for the 2014-15 OPGES pilot .

Paul Lanata   **Becky Nelson**

KDE extends a special "thanks" to Paul Lanata and Becky Nelson for representing school librarians in the development of the effectiveness system for "other professionals" and for serving on the OPGES Steering Committee.

Volunteer to be a "Peer Observer" for your district so that librarians will have other librarians who can provide feedback.

Did you know?

School librarians must be entered into Infinite Campus (IC) in order to have access to the appropriate resources for the upcoming OPGES.

WHO AM I?
BY ELIZABETH TACKETT
MAGOFFIN COUNTY SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

I am a seeker of knowledge, an advocate of intellectual freedom…
A builder of public relations and a multi-tasker.

I'm an innovator, a technology guru…
A supervisor and problem solver.

I am an organizing machine, collection development powerhouse…
A communicator, collaborator, leader, and teacher.

I'm a professional development facilitator and acquisitor of skills and knowledge…
A lover of books and a peruser of genres.

I am a respecter of privacy, ethical use, and civility…
A twenty-first century skills builder.

I am a Librarian . . .

THE LIBRARY FOX
A.K.A. CRYSTAL FOX
MARSHALL COUNTY SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

Until I was asked how I use my art in my job as a librarian, I had not really given it much thought. I have always loved art. I think it even subconsciously influenced my career choice. After all, my favorite books are picture books! I love using my art to make others smile. I often paint things for teacher friends to hang in their classrooms and of course, there is some of it in the library too! About a year ago, a friend of mine convinced me to try drawing digital clipart for teachers. I am still excited when I see it on worksheets we use school wide, and the kiddos love asking me if I drew the pictures! I cannot wait to see what they think of our school yearbook for 2014. It is full of little puppy-dog clipart! I am not the best artist, for sure, but my colleagues and students make me feel like a regular Van Gogh with both ears!

Visit Crystal's blog **here**.

FREEBIES
[Foxy Fonts](#)
[Derby Hats](#)
[Cupcakes Clipart](#)

Do you have a great lesson plan, unit plan, or assessment? KY public educators are encouraged to submit instructional materials and assessment items into CIITS. Click here to find out how!

Kentucky's library media standards, adopted from the American Association of School Librarians in 2010, are accessible in CIITS. Use them to build lesson plans, create assessments, and search for resources.

Submit a library best practice for a chance to be featured on KDE's "Best Practices" website! Click **here** for submission guidelines.

FEATURED LIBRARY BLOG

The Unquiet Librarian
Click **here**.

FEATURED PD360 RESOURCE

"Language Arts: Poetry Movies" video from PD360
Click **here**.

FEATURED WEBSITE

Science News for Students
Click **here**.

FEATURED ARTICLES

School Library Media Monthly
Click **here**.

NEW CONTENT STANDARDS

Reviewing content area standards can help inform purchases for school library collections and assist in the collection weeding process. Kentucky adopted new standards for English/language arts and literacy in 2010, along with new mathematics standards. As new science standards are implemented this year, look at your 500 and 600 sections of the library media center. Do you have materials to support the new standards? What can you add to your collection (print and digital) to support students and teachers in science?

Look for new social studies standards and new arts and humanities standards later this year. As standards are adopted, they are added to the Kentucky Core Academic Standards (KCAS) document. Use the KCAS as a guide to analyze your collection to ensure it meets the needs of your school community.

KY LIBRARIANS CONNECT ONLINE

Listed below are social media connections associated with the Kentucky Department of Education. Join a discussion to learn and to contribute!

- "Like" KDE on Facebook: www.facebook.com/kydeptofed
- Follow KDE on Twitter: www.twitter.com/kydeptofed
- Subscribe to *Kentucky Teacher* online: www.kentuckyteacher.org
- Follow Dr. Holliday's blog: http://kyedcommissioner.blogspot.com/
- Participate in a Twitter Chat: #KyLChat (Kentucky Librarians), #KyEdChat (Kentucky Educators)

"Like" KY Association of School Librarians (KASL) on Facebook:
www.facebook.com/pages/Kentucky-Association-of-School-Librarians-KASL/263816356965943

Looking for ready-made book lists that address various topics?
Try **Literary Lists for the 21st Century Teacher & Librarian**.

KY School Library Media News Archives

Volume 5, Issue 3: Winter 2014
Volume 5, Issue 2: Fall 2013
Volume 5, Issue 1: Summer 2013
Volume 4, Issue 1: Summer 2012
Volume 3, Issue 4: Spring 2012
Volume 3, Issue 3: Winter 2012
Volume 3, Issue 2: Fall 2011
Volume 3, Issue 1: Summer 2011
Volume 2, Issue 4: Spring 2011
Volume 2, Issue 3: Winter 2011
Volume 2, Issue 2: Fall 2010
Volume 2, Issue 1: Summer 2010
Volume 1, Issue 3: Spring 2010
Volume 1, Issue 2: Winter 2010
Volume 1, Issue 1: Fall 2009

AASL Crosswalks

English/language arts

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Reading Standards for Literacy in Science & Technical Subjects

Writing Standards for Literacy in HSST Subjects

Mathematics

KDE Revised Consolidated Compliance Plan for Non-Discrimination Available
Please be advised that the Kentucky Department of Education has revised its Consolidated Compliance Plan for Non-Discrimination. The revised plan has been posted on the Legal and Legislative Services page on KDE's website and includes a Discrimination Complaint Form that can be filled out by anyone alleging discrimination against KDE staff and/or KDE program areas.

Professional Organizations

Kentucky Association of School Librarians (KASL)
http://www.kysma.org/KASL/Welcome.html

Kentucky Library Association (KLA)
www.kylibasn.org/

American Association of School Librarians (AASL)
www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl

American Library Association (ALA)
www.ala.org

Kentucky Reading Association (KRA)
www.kyreading.org

KYVL – KCAS Resources

KYVL and KY Core Academic Standards K-5

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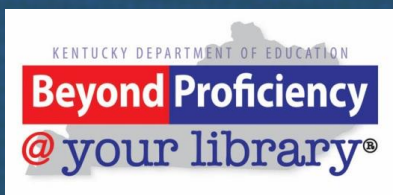
Kentuckiana Digital Library

Kentucky Virtual Library (KYVL)

Enid Wohlstein

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- *Beyond Proficiency @ your library* Web page
- *Beyond Proficiency @ your library* webcast
- *Beyond Proficiency @ your library* document
- Library Media Program Rubric
- Sample Evaluation Tool for School Media Librarians